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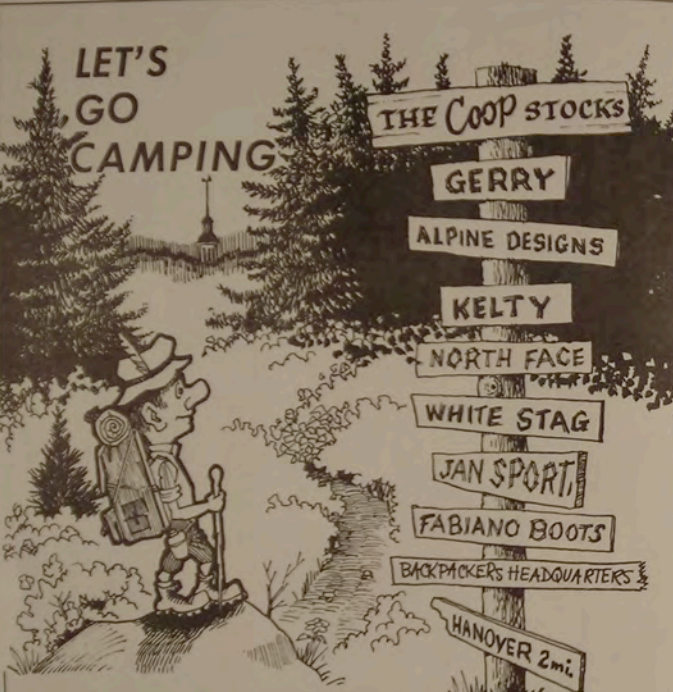
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WOODSMEN'S MEET

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DARTMOUTH OUTING CLUB

The Dartmouth Outing Club, sponsor of this spring's meet, is sixty-nine years old this year, which makes it the oldest outing club in the country. Founded in 1909 by Fred Harris '11 to stimulate interest in previously neglected winter sports (Harris owned the only pair of skis on campus at the time), the D.O.C. has since expanded into a diverse conglomerate of interrelated activities. The service activities of the club are carried on by three major divisions. By far the most active of these is Cabin and Trail, whose four season activities encompass almost every form of outdoor recreation from cabin and trail maintenance to ski touring, climbing, and sponsorship of the Woodsmen's Weekend program. Among the division's responsibilities are the upkeep of 75 miles of Appalachian Trail linking the systems in the Green and White Mountains and the D.O.C.'s 10 cabins and 9 shelters stretched along the trail and in the College's 27,000 acre timberland reserve in northeastern New Hampshire. Winter Sports, the second of the divisions to be founded, handles ski meets and the intramural ski program, and other winter recreation with the exception of ski touring, snowshoeing, and winter mountaineering, which are handled by Cabin and Trail. A third division, Environmental Studies, serves the College community by providing education and action in environmental protection. The ESD maintains a regional environmental resources library for the use of interested persons.

In addition to the three divisions, the D.O.C. has affiliated with it several specialized clubs devoted to hunting and fishing, technical climbing, horse-back riding, trap and skeet shooting, bicycling, and white- and flat-water canoeing.

WOODSMEN'S WEEKEND 1947-1977

The Woodsmen's Weekend competition was organized in 1947 by the late Ross McKenney, the D.O.C. woodcraft advisor. The contest was born from a desire to pass on to others the fun and craft of using lumberjack tools plus an appreciation of the rough pride in this vanishing breed of man.

Dartmouth, the University of Maine and Kimball Union Academy were the only schools represented in the first few years. As time passed, more teams became involved. Today as many as 10 schools in the Northeast support active woodsmen's teams. Although the number of events and competitors has increased, the spirit of Woodsmen's Weekend remains one of friendly rivalry among men and women who share a heartfelt appreciation of the out-of-doors. Dartmouth is pleased to host Woodsmen's Weekend on its thirtieth anniversary.

DESCRIPTION OF EVENTS

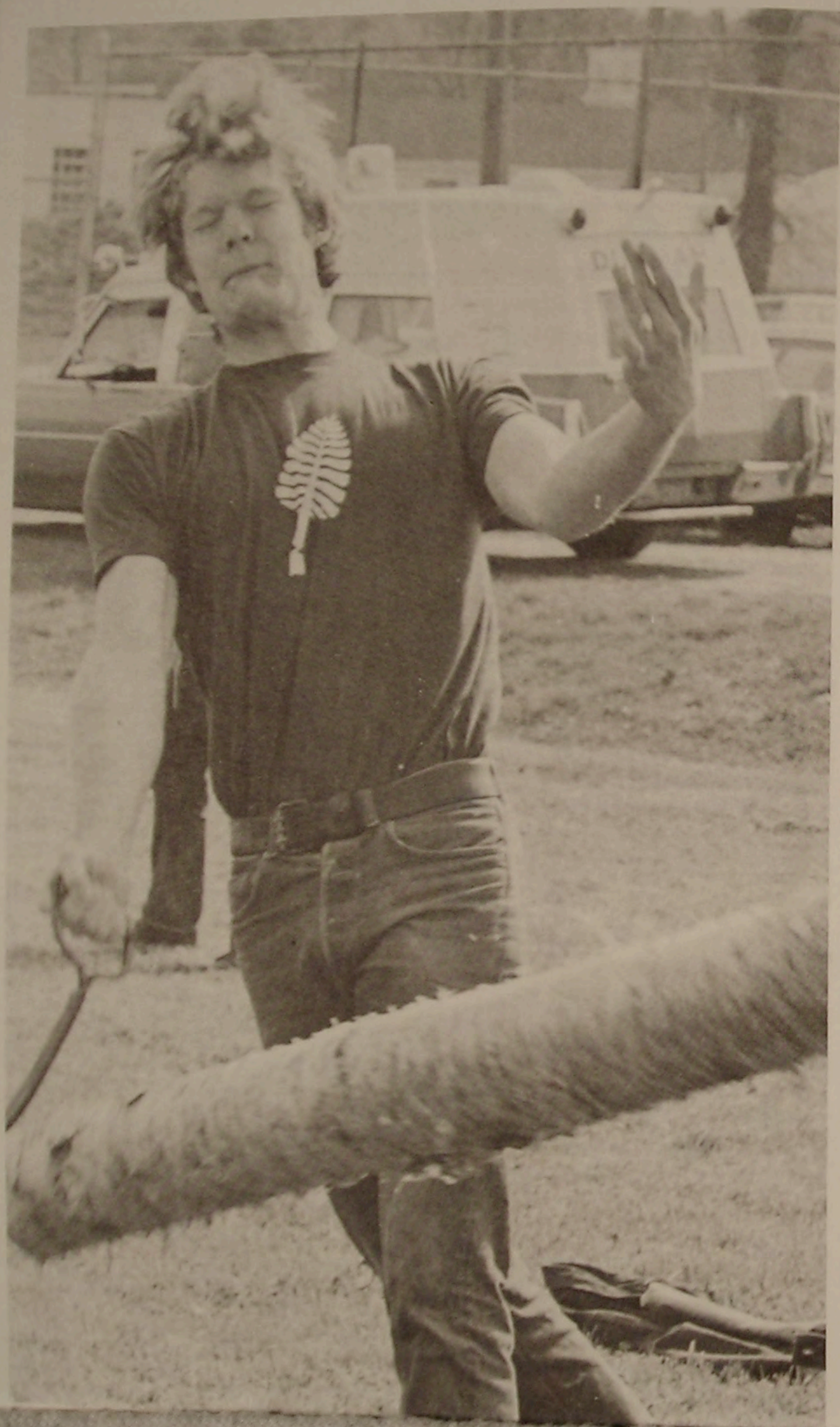
Each event is worth 100 points. The team with the fastest time or greatest accuracy is awarded 100 points; scoring for the other teams is graded proportionately to these winning results. Women's teams will also be scored relative to other women's teams.

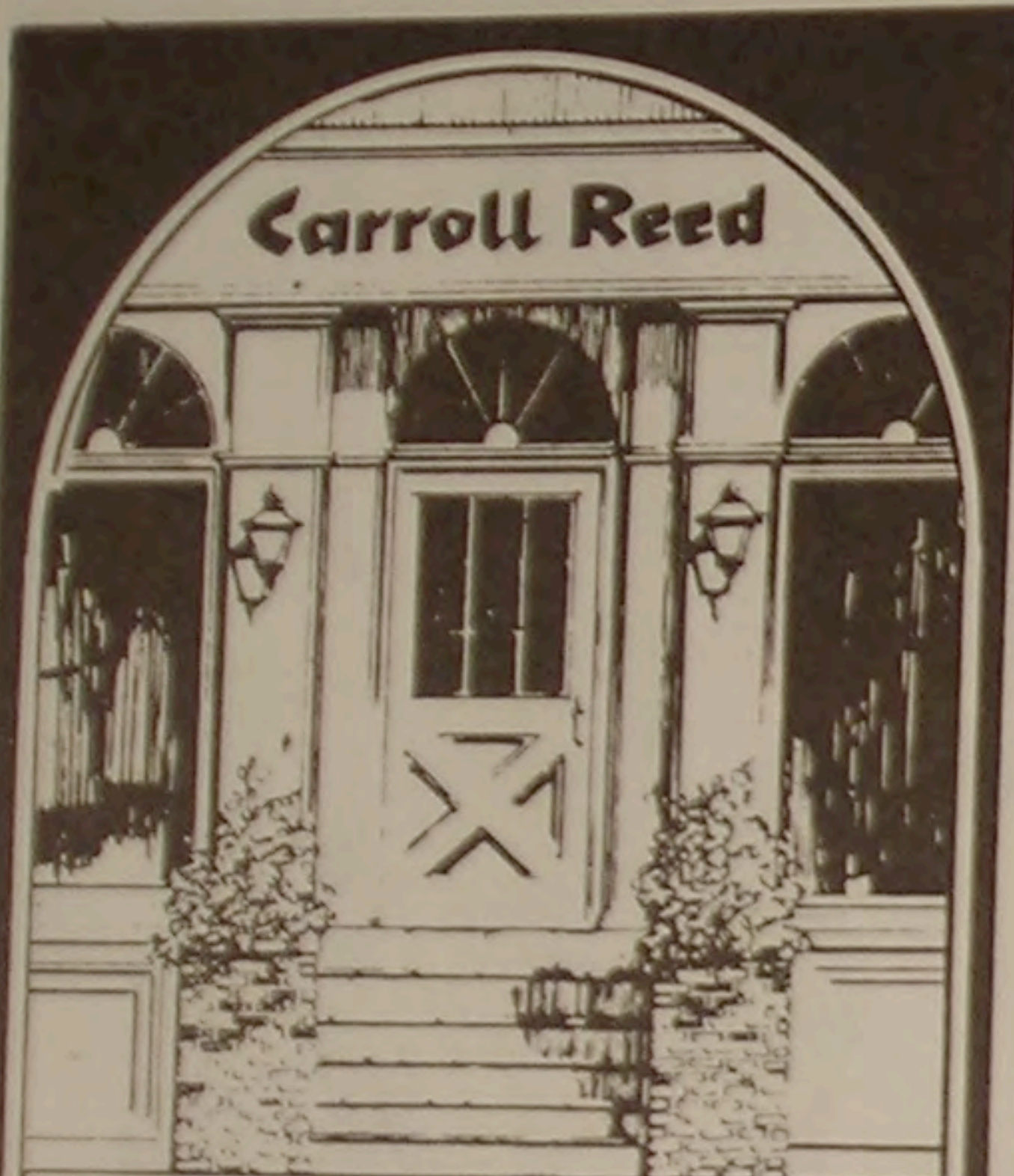
While allowing legitimate innovations or technique improvements for the various events, the rules are intended to ensure some similarity to the conditions under which woodsmen must actually function.

Following are capsule descriptions of this weekend's events:

1. One Man Canoe Race. Canoe an obstacle course. Total time for two single canoeists will be used in scoring.
2. Two Man Canoe Race. Canoe the same course as in event 1. Two men shall make a team and run the course once.
3. Portage Race. Paddle the canoe over a stretch of water, carry it overland with the aid of a packboard, and finish back through water. Two men will run the course; the total time will be used for scoring. The entrants may not paddle with the pack on or portage with the pack off.
4. Packboard Race. Lash a blanket, sand bag (weighing 50 lbs.) and a 10'' frying pan to a packboard and run a course. Each man will take a turn carrying the pack.
5. Dot Splitting. Strike a $\frac{1}{4}$ '' dot with a full swing of the axe. Total points for four swings, determined by nearness to the dot, will be used for the score.
6. Axe Throw. Throw an axe at a target. The axe must weigh 2 lbs. and be 24'' long. Each man will get several practice throws and 4 official throws.
7. Pulp Throw for Distance and Accuracy. Throw a 4 foot stick of hardwood pulp for distance along an assigned line of travel. Scoring will be made on the best of three throws.
8. Chain Sawing. Make a boring cut and cut a block from the cant by the use of a power saw in the shortest possible time.
9. Fly Casting. Cast a fly as far as possible along a line extending from the competitor's feet.

10. Chain Throw. Wind up and "throw" the unravelled chain, a forest surveyor's device. Scoring is determined by speed and by appearance of the "thrown" chain.
11. Scoot Loading. Load three logs up a ramp onto a scoot for speed. Peaveys are the only tools allowed for this event.
12. Pulp Throwing. Throw pulpwood between 2 sets of stakes 20 feet apart. Number one man will throw 4 pieces from pit A to pit B. Number two man will retrieve and throw the pulp back to pit A. The pulp will be thrown back and forth until 48 sticks have landed between the stakes. This is a team event.
13. Log Rolling. Roll, with the aid of peaveys, a log for speed. The first two men will roll the log from the starting stakes around a dogleg to another set of stakes. A second set of men will roll the log back to the starting place. Then the remaining pair returns the log to end the event.
14. Felling. Fell a pole as accurately as possible. With one man beginning and the second man finishing the cut, the two men will fell the pole as close as possible to a stake planted in the ground.
15. Splitting. Split 9 bolts of wood each into 4 pieces. Each man will have 3 bolts to split.
16. Speed Chopping. Chop through an 8'' x 8'' white pine cant. Three men in turn will each make complete cuts with axes through a cant.
17. Buck Sawing. Cut through an 8'' x 8'' square poplar cant. One buck saw is used and each man makes 2 cuts and hands the saw to the next man.
18. Crosscut sawing. Cut through an 8'' x 8'' white poplar cant. The teams will divide into 3 pairs and each pair will cut 3 discs and hand the saw to the next pair until 9 discs have been cut.
19. Fire Building. Boil a given amount of soapy water in the shortest time. Each man will have an axe, a knife, three wooden matches and a block of wood at his disposal.





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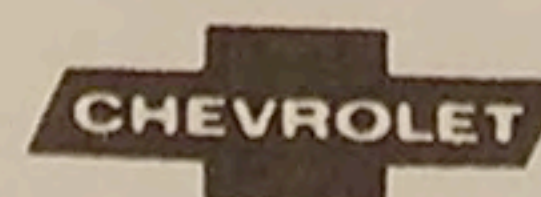
We wish the participants well in this unique woodsmen's competition and we hope all you spectators enjoy the activity!

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY

- 11:00 — Captains' Meeting
- 12:00 — Singles Canoe
Doubles Canoe
Fly Casting
- 3:00 — Portage Race
- 4:30 — Packboard Relay Race

SATURDAY

- 8:00 — Captains' Meeting
- 8:20 — Opening Ceremony
- 8:30 — Chain Throw
Dot Split
Single Pulp Throw
Axe Throw
Chain Swing
- 10:00 — Scoot Loading
Team Pulp Throw
Log Rolling
- 12:00 — Lunch
- 1:00 — Felling
- 1:45 — Splitting
- 2:30 — Speed Chopping
- 3:15 — Buck Sawing
- 4:00 — Cross Cut Sawing
- 4:30 — Water Boil
- 5:00 — Captains' Meeting
- 5:30 — Woodsmen's Feed at Storrs Pond
- 7:00 — Awards Ceremony
- 7:30 — Square Dance